

UNABLE TO CHECK BIG OFFENSIVE

French Make Quick Dash to German Strongholds, Capturing Dompierre With Entire First Line Positions in Fifty Minutes

TAKE TWENTY-TWO FORTIFIED VILLAGES

Peronne, the French Objective, Lies Barely a Mile Across the Somme From the Advanced Lines of the French Army

(United Press Correspondent.)
Quick Work of French.

Paris, July 11.—The allies have taken twenty-two fortified villages since the great Somme offensive began ten days ago. Peronne, the objective of the huge campaign, lies only a mile across the Somme from the French advanced lines and is the next important prize, now almost within the grasp of the French army.

Dompierre, with the entire first line of German positions, was taken by the French in fifty minutes and Dompierre was captured in only thirty-five minutes.

By United Press.

London, July 11.—The British last night carried by storm the village of central Maun, northeast of Albert, about which village the fighting has raged since the opening of the great allied offensive.

German Attacks Fail.

By United Press.

Paris, July 11.—The Germans launched a powerful attack on the French works east of Verdun this morning, following with a bombardment extending from Fleury to the Cheucis woods, taking two hundred yards of trenches. They were later driven out.

Appeal to Bulgaria.

By Henry Wood.

Rome, July 11.—Kaiser Wilhelm and Emperor Franz Josef have sent an appeal to Czar Ferdinand of Bulgaria asking him to send Bulgarian troops to the Galician and Trentino fronts to help check the Russian and Italian offensives, according to information which was received here from Geneva this morning.

A delegation consisting of Austro-German military and diplomatic officials who arrived at Sofia Sunday carried the request. It was pointed out in these representations that the continued success of the Russian and Italian armies along the fronts indicated is almost certain to bring Roumania into the war, a consummation not desired by the central powers.

Czar Ferdinand replied to the Teutonic representations that the withdrawal of Bulgarian troops from their present positions would invite an immediate attack on Bulgaria from the allied armies at Salonika, but promised to submit the appeal to the Bulgarian general staff.

It is estimated here that the Austrian losses were 150,000 men in the unsuccessful offensive along the Trentino front and in the Italian counter offensive.

THREE DIVORCES ASKED.

Business in the divorce line had a spurt in the last two days, three suits for separation having been filed in the office of District Clerk Newman. Mrs. Louise Stubbfield asks for a divorce from Charles Stubbfield and a like petition was filed by Gordon Reed against Mrs. Anna Reed. Willie Taylor, colored, asked for an absolute divorce from Sam Taylor.

COMMERCIAL AND FARM BUREAU

The regular monthly meeting of the Commercial and Farm bureau will be held next Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Let each and every director take heed and be present.—Jonas Cook, President.

NAT JONES LEAPS TO HIS DEATH

Jumps From Ninth Story of Campbell Building in Oklahoma City and Body is Terribly Mangled in Fall

SON OF PROMINENT CHICKASHA PEOPLE

Temporarily Deranged Due to Illness for Which He Had Been Under Treatment for Three Months in Sanitarium

Temporarily deranged due to his physical condition for which he had been under treatment in an Oklahoma sanitarium for the past three months, Nat Jones, for many years a resident of Chickasha and well known here especially in baseball and football circles, jumped from the Ninth story of the Campbell building in Oklahoma City this morning and met instant death.

Reports received here contained only meager details of the tragedy but it is said his body was terribly mangled as a result of the great leap to death.

Immediately upon receipt of the news in Chickasha, Sid Anderson, the undertaker, accompanied by Paul Spinning, left for the state capital to take charge of the body and bring it to this city, here to await further details as to burial, the time and place of which will not be determined until relatives living at a distance can be communicated with.

The deceased was twenty-eight years old and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Pate Jones, highly respected former residents of Chickasha, and now residing six miles southeast of the city near Lucile, where Mr. Jones is engaged in the farm and stock business. Mrs. Jones had planned to accompany the party to Oklahoma City to take charge of the body of her son, but upon hearing the details was so overcome as to make the trip impossible.

Nat had been an inmate of a sanitarium in the Campbell building for three months, during which time he had received medical treatment.

SOLOMAN WAIVES HEARING

Gives Bond in Sum of \$1,500 to Answer in District Court to Charge of Receiving Goods Stolen from Thomas Home

The examining trial of W. Solomon, who was to have answered to the charge of receiving stolen property in the county court today, was waived by the defendant yesterday afternoon, when accompanied by his attorney and County Attorney Venable. He waived the preliminary hearing and furnished bail in the sum of \$1,500 to appear before the first term of the district court.

Solomon was arrested on July 7 on the charge of having unlawfully received from Henry Carter, 19 pairs of shoes valued at \$4 each, and eleven pairs of gloves, the total value being \$87. These goods are alleged to have been stolen from the home of George Thomas and Solomon is charged with having advanced Carter the sum of \$24.50 on them.

WEATHER FORECAST.

For Oklahoma.
Tonight and Wednesday, partly cloudy.
Local Temperature.
During 24 hours ending 8 a. m. today:
Maximum, 98; minimum, 65.

AUTOMOBILE CONVOY EN ROUTE TO VERDUN



Long line of automobiles used in conveying French troops to the Verdun section.

MEXICAN ANSWER DUE SOON

By United Press.

Mexico City, July 11.—As evidence of the official belief that the danger of war with the United States has passed, the employees of the various government departments who were being drilled for military service, have been ordered to discontinue their training. If the situation continues to improve all other persons who volunteered will be instructed to discontinue.

It is possible that the Mexican reply to the latest American note will be forwarded to Washington today. It is understood that this reply will contain a definite proposal for settling future difficulties as well as a solution of the border problem.

By United Press.

Columbus, N. M., July 11.—Hundreds of natives are today deserting the Guerrero villages to join the new army. They have been told that Villa in person will lead the forces against the Gringos. This information was brought here by returning motor truckmen.

Rains have already made traveling difficult and drivers are apprehensive of a complete tie-up of motor transportation if rains increase.

RECRUITS READY FOR SERVICE

Recruiting Officer Examines Volunteers at Railroad Station Enroute to Fort Sill Where Troops Soon Depart

Only a brief visit is being paid to Chickasha this afternoon by the recruiting officer who will take the Chickasha volunteers to the National Guard to join the First Oklahoma Regiment at Fort Sill tonight.

Lieutenant James C. Embury of Co. B of the Oklahoma National Guard, reached here shortly before three o'clock from Shawnee and was met at the station by A. L. Hollingsworth, who has been acting unofficially in the capacity of substitute recruiting officer, and local candidates for military honors.

"I have received six or eight inquiries so far," said Mr. Hollingsworth this morning, "but these will have to be examined at the train and passed on by Lieutenant Embury during his twenty minute stay here. The applicants were all Chickasha boys."

At the regular recruiting station today, Paul Heffner, son of Pete Heffner, joined Troop B of the National Guard.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

Marriage license has been issued to Henry Waters (col.) Chickasha, and Vina Smith, (col.) Chickasha.

DEFEAT OF OFFENSIVE PREDICTED

Berlin Believes Peace Negotiations Will Follow Flare-Up of Present Efforts of Allied Armies Within Next Few Weeks

By C. W. Ackerman.

(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
Berlin, July 11.—That the great allied offensive will end in a few weeks and will be followed by peace negotiations is the opinion which is being expressed by well informed persons in Berlin.

Except in one narrow sector the British have been unable to make a perceptible impression on the German lines, despite their overwhelming superiority in numbers.

The French have made some progress south of the Somme river but thus far neither of the allied armies have developed the powerful attack which will be necessary to completely break the deadlock in the west.

The feeling prevails that when the extent of the British losses are known in England public opinion will demand peace without further slaughter.

British Patrol Boats Sunk.

By United Press.

Berlin, July 11.—The Austrian admiralty reports that the cruiser Novara encountered four armored British patrol boats off Otranto Road, connecting the Adriatic with the Ionian sea, sinking all of the British boats. According to this report only nine British sailors were rescued.

INJURED FARMER EXPIRES

In Presence of Girl He Was to Marry Young Man Succumbs to Injuries Sustained by Being Thrown from Horse

In the presence of his fiancée, who remained at his bedside until death, relieved him of his suffering, P. H. Gregg, the prospective bridegroom who was recently employed on the farm of Oscar Hayes near Azawam, passed away on Sunday night.

The ceremony which was to have made the young man and Miss Lillie Collier of Lindsey man and wife was to have been performed on Sunday, July 2, but on that day Gregg was mortally injured as the result of being thrown from a horse.

The bride-to-be was summoned and since last Tuesday has administered faithfully to the wants of the injured man. The remains were shipped yesterday to the young man's home in Texas.

A. J. Bell, the piano tuner, went to Alex on business today.

LAST RITES OVER BODY OF VETERAN

Funeral services for Capt. G. G. Buchanan, commander of Joe Shelby camp of United Confederate Veterans were held at the Epworth Methodist church at four o'clock yesterday afternoon. A large crowd of the friends and admirers of the aged soldier heard the sermon by Rev. L. L. Cohen which was a fitting benediction to the life of service just ended. The funeral ceremonies were in charge of the Masons and the body was interred in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

The deceased is survived by his wife, two sons, Jim of this city and Fitch of Anadarko, and three daughters, Mrs. John H. Haffner of Hitechock, Mrs. W. B. Harris of Ft. Worth, and Mrs. A. Looney of Chickasha.

CONTESTS WILL OF MOTHER

Children of Elizabeth J. Skaggs Who Died Suddenly in Field Fighting for Homestead and Furniture Worth \$4,500

Was an erasure and alteration made in the will of Elizabeth J. Skaggs, who was found dead on her farm near town several weeks ago? That is a knotty problem which must be solved by Judge Dayvont in the county court and it is expected that a decision will be reached tomorrow.

The contest case was begun yesterday in the county court but the testimony was not all in late yesterday afternoon and the case was continued until tomorrow morning when interesting evidence will be submitted by bankers as handwriting experts.

Mrs. Skaggs, according to the testimony, was found dead in a field on her farm near this city, believed to be the victim of heart disease. Shortly before her death she had proved up on her homestead, which was valued at about \$4,500, and had furniture and other property valued at about \$500. All this, according to the will which was filed for probate, she bequeathed to her son, George H. Mason, who, it is said, has left Oklahoma. Her daughter, Mrs. Nora M. Kelly, who, through her attorneys, Holding & Herr, have filed the contest, alleges that there was an erasure and probable alteration in the will, especially in the line in which George M. Mason is designated as sole beneficiary. Mrs. Mason, who is represented by Barefoot & Carmichael, claims she has authority from her husband to defend the will against contest.

Mrs. Skaggs had lived in this vicinity about thirteen years. It is alleged that only a portion of the will was written before her death.

ALLIES SAY INSPECT VESSEL

Navy Officers Ordered by State Department to Make Thorough Examination of Deutschland for Arms Equipment

SUBMARINE NOT A MERCHANTMAN

Allies Object to Status Given Supersubmarine by Naval Department Experts; Another Submarine Seacraft Expected

By United Press.

Baltimore, Md., July 11.—Captain Hughes of the United States navy, with customs officers, will inspect the Deutschland this afternoon for armament. They will proceed under orders from the state department to which the allies have suggested that it was improper to harbor a submarine as a merchantman.

Unloads at Newport News.

By United Press.

Newport News, July 11.—Plans have now been completed for bringing the German supersubmarine Deutschland, which arrived at Baltimore Sunday night, to this port to complete the unloading of her cargo before returning to Germany. It is believed that the departure of the Deutschland for Germany will be sooner than reports of North German Lloyd officials have indicated.

Another Subsea Approaching.

By United Press.

Rio Janeiro, July 11.—The newspaper Run states in its issue this morning that the state chancellor has been officially informed that a sister ship to the supersubmarine Deutschland is now crossing the Atlantic ocean and is due to arrive at this port within ten days.

BOUND OVER TO FEDERAL GRAND JURY

Luther Reynolds, proprietor of the Red Star restaurant on Second street, was arrested yesterday by Deputy U. S. Marshal Dick Worley on the charge of introducing liquor into the Indian country. He was given a hearing before U. S. Commissioner Eugene Hamilton and held to the grand jury.

This afternoon at five o'clock Deputy Worley will take Reynolds and "Shorty" Fletcher to Muskogee, there to await the action of the grand jury at Chickasha in November. The information on which Fletcher was arrested was given by Sheriff Hodge Bailey's deputies.

These two men make four prisoners which Worley has taken to Muskogee in less than a week.

WOMAN SMOKING PIPE CALLS OUT GENERAL ALARM

Dallas, Tex., July 11.—A general alarm today called all downtown apparatus to the Texas Traction company's station where dense clouds of smoke were seen rolling from the woman's rest room. Firemen burst in only to find an old woman placidly smoking a pipe.

Miss Lucile Westfall expects to go to Mangum tomorrow, where she will spend two weeks with Misses Grace and Meta Weaver.

NATION IS WIPED OUT BY TURKS

37,000,000 Armenians Perish by Hand of the Moslem in 500 Years and Terrific Slaughter of Christians Continues

HORRIBLE TORTURE OF HELPLESS VICTIMS

Five Women Crucified and Blood of One Thrown into River on Cross Reaches Christian Battleships at Mouth of River

(Written for the United Press.)

"Revolutionary movement and open treason" have been the cause of the present plight of the Armenians in Asia Minor, according to Dr. Ahmed Emin, editor of the Constantinople Tanin, as set forth in his story, "The Other Side," recently printed in the press of the United States.

When the Turks conquered Armenia 500 years ago there were 40,000,000 Armenians in that country. Today there are hardly 3,000,000 of them all over the world.

The 37,000,000 Armenians perished as the result of periodic, annual and daily massacres at the hands of the Turks. A fanatic may consider this the work of a "human race"—the Turks—and indulge in pointing out the results of other nations to justify the barbaric acts of its own.

Tongues Cut Out.

The assimilation of the Armenians is a historic impossibility. Even the Turkish practice of cutting the tongue of every Armenian who failed to speak in Turkish did not make successful the assimilation policy of the Ottoman government.

By what sense of justice then does the Turk argue in favor of his own government as a giver of freedom of language? What does the gentleman mean by "freedom of language"? What does the gentleman mean by "freedom of community" if he does not wish to contradict flatly the state of the Ottoman rulers?

Thirty thousand Armenians were massacred in Adana at the hands of the so called Young-Turkish party in 1908—soon after the proclamation of the "constitutional government."

Women Are Crucified.

Five women were crucified. One of the bodies, still on the cross, was thrown into the river and the blood stained waves of the river washed it to where the Christian battleships were anchored.

To the mind of our critic this may be "absolute equality with the Turks."

Poison for Vaccine.

Not long ago the government sent official doctors to "vaccinate" the Armenian children of the town of Zeitun. Instead of injecting the vaccine serum they injected poison and 400 children died in one night. If this is the work of a humane race what might be its brutal deeds?

My own experience in the massacre of 1895 and '96 are still fresh in my memory and if necessary I can enumerate tales of horror which I heard and saw.

With all these cruel inflictions, instead of fostering revenge, one Armenian political party held the bloody hands of the committee of union and progress saying that it is enough we are brothers; let us work for the welfare of the country.

The Armenian revolutionary movement was the child of persecutions at the hands of the Turkish government. When apparently a change took place in Turkey in 1908 the revolutionary parties automatically became political parties.

Wholesale Persecutions.

Suppose that a few Armenians, a group of them had conspired against the government. Why were not those directly responsible punished? Did the United States deport and massacre the German population because of the lawless acts of a few members of that nationality? Did Great Britain put to the sword the Irish people—men, women and children—because of the present uprising?

By what logic then, can Turkey

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